



Siloam Missionary Homes

"providing housing to missionaries for a lifetime..."

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Summer Work Teams...Interns...Promises...Provision

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. Ps. 1:3



In the cool of the morning I stopped by the creek at the bottom of the hill and spent a few minutes watching the swift current. The last couple of days have been real scorches here with high humidity and lots of rain, filling the creek to capacity. While watching the creek move, I'm reminded once again that God is in control of everything. This has been the year of replacing HVAC units. To date, we have replaced or worked on 4 houses. The latest one was last week, which cost \$4,200. It makes me stressed at times, wondering where the funds will come from. But God has promised and He has always provided a way. I think I need to spend more time by the river.

We started our intern program June 1st. It has been a true blessing to see these

young men eager to do whatever they can to help. They are, and will be, a great help once our work teams get here, too.

We have several families going back to the field and new families arriving. Joyce is now booking into 2018! Regretfully, we had to raise the monthly maintenance fee by \$50.00 per house to meet budget. We hated to do this, but had little choice. Please pray with us concerning the finances, that our equipment will hold up and we can be a blessing.

One of the greatest encouragements for us are the summer work teams. So far we have three scheduled, with Maple Grove Church coming the first week of July. Our groups can accomplish more in one week than we can in one month. These programs really help keep the campus

up and beautiful. So, if by chance you would like to do a work team, call us. You sleep in AC and we feed you well. Plus the fellowship is great!

Joyce and I are planning on traveling later this summer and hopefully we will be able to see many of you. Thank you so much for your prayers, phone calls, texts and financial support for Siloam and our families. May the Lord continue to bless each of you as we partner together through Siloam Missionary Homes as a link to help reach the world for Jesus Christ. Our continual desire is that each and every person that comes here will leave refreshed spiritually and physically, and ready to serve.

It's because of Jesus.

Larry George, *President*



from the MAILBAG

This is one of those many blessings that I've had since being here. I have been looking for something to hold my jewelry for, literally, years. The jewelry hanger in the Treasure Chest is perfect! Also, one day Rhine said to me, "Let's go have a picnic tonight." It wasn't a half hour later when I got the email from you saying there were picnic boxes in the frig at Dad's Country Store! It's also amazing how many items in the Treasure Chest have been perfect. And not to mention the items in Dad's Country Store! Thank you so much for your ministry!.....oh! And bikes for the kids!!! We have been SO blessed! — Krista & Rhine S.

Gifts in Honor or Memory of

In honor of *Noah Richardson's* birthday by *Ginger Neal and Gerard, Terry, Hayden & Olivia Martinez*

In memory of *Sandra Rice* by *Susan Blalock, Brenda T, Rachel M, Barbara T, Eloise B, Gary T and Gala P*

In memory of *Elise Davis* by *Harold Davis*

In memory of *Irene Fisk* by *Walter & Becky Glick*

In memory of *Larry Eberlin* by *Jamie Barber*

In memory of *Doyle Davis* by *Harold Davis*

In memory of *Dorothy Abbey* by *Donna Fearnside*

In memory of *Dorothy Abbey* by *Jim & Donna Fearnside*

News from Camp Glory Farm



Things have been busy at Camp Glory Farm. We have had 13 lambs, 5 kids, and some chicks and ducklings born over the past couple of months. Our first cut of hay has been processed and stored as well as the garden planted and already bearing fruit. With all of the growth we have had, we are so thankful to have our first group of interns here with us.

For the next three months, we have three young men who have come on board as interns here at Siloam Missionary Homes; Ross Bailey, from Greensboro, and Jordan and Joshua Marsh, missionary kids, from South Africa. The adventure has begun and much has already been accomplished. Not only have they brought much needed help to the staff at Siloam, but they have also helped in moving us forward in the ministry that God has called us to.

Our Internship offers a unique setting within a missionary community. Here Interns have the opportunity to meet new families and learn a variety of new skills. They will gain knowledge in farming, grounds keeping, camp ministry, carpentry, etiquette, and much more. Also, Interns will be challenged to go deeper in their relationship with Jesus.

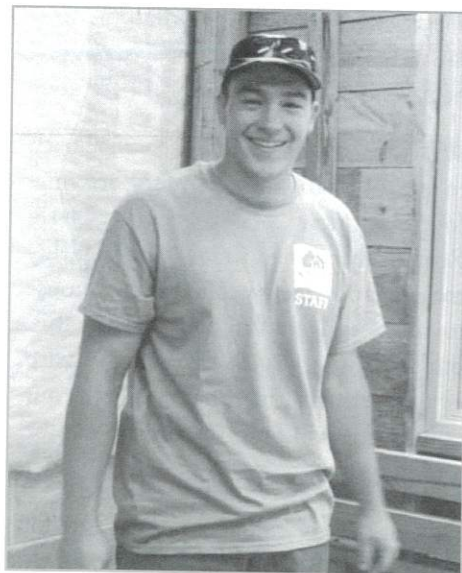
We are accepting applications for our next group of interns. If you or anyone you know is interested in this unique opportunity to serve at Camp Glory Farm, please contact us. Internships can range from 3 months - 1 year. Housing and utilities are provided as well as Dad's Country Store (canned goods), the Treasure Chest (gently used clothing), and produce from our chemical-free garden.

— *Blessed by Jesus* Rachel George

A Word from our First Interns



Hello to all! My name is **Ross Bailey**. I was born and raised in Greensboro, North Carolina. I first started working with Siloam Missionary Homes for an outreach project. I wasn't expecting that through that simple outreach project that God would call me to Siloam Homes for a greater project. Therefore, here I am, at the beginning of that greater project — the first internship ever at Siloam Homes. I am very eager to see where God leads me as a result of this internship and how He shows Himself through it!



Hi, my name is **Jordan**. I am really excited to start serving the Lord here at Siloam in this internship. I pray that the Lord will use me and that I might grow in Him through this opportunity.



Hello, my name is **Joshua Marsh**, one of the interns here at Siloam Missionary Homes. I was and still am excited about working here at Siloam. So far, I have enjoyed being a part of this ministry and being able to learn new skills and grow in the Lord. I pray that the other interns and I will work hard this summer to help Siloam Missionary Homes to continue to be able to serve the many Missionaries that stay at Siloam.

Reaching *this* Generation



Siloam's theme for this year, as you may know, is *Reaching This Generation*, inspired by Psalm 71:18: "Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, do not forsake me, Until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to everyone who is to come." It is *this* generation we need to reach, because it's "going down the tube" fast. It may not recover – and won't without a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We can give many reasons why this generation has turned from God, but the root cause is that great numbers of this generation vigorously reject the Bible as God's word. As Francis Schaeffer said of our modern society's mindset, "the only absolute allowed is the absolute insistence that there is no absolute" (*How Shall We Then Live*, Crossway 1976, p. 219). The Bible is just another book. Without the Bible's authority, there is no basis for declaring right and wrong. People do what is right in their own eyes (Judges 21:25), but Satan has blinded their spiritual eyes so that they call right wrong and wrong right.

A young man from a Christian home went to a university. As a Christian, he

believed what his parents taught him. At the university, nearly every professor challenged his faith, ridiculing Christianity and denying the Bible as God's word. After much inner struggle, the young man realized that what the naysayers proclaimed required "faith" on their part. He rejected their denials and affirmed that the Bible is true, and that there is no hope or truth apart from God and His Word. He "owned" his faith, believing God and His Word and trusting in the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus, not because his parents said it, but because He knew it to be true in himself.

Eventually, the young man married, and the couple had children. They taught their children to follow Christ and trust Him as Savior, as the children professed from an early age. Later, one attended the university and faced a repeat of the father's experience. Challenging the faith of Christianity, professors spouted the same denials of the truth of the Bible and the claims of Christ, poked fun at those who believe in the morality of the Scripture's teaching, just as the father encountered many years before. This time, however, the results were different. One who once had followed Christ now

turned from God, gave in to the godless teaching that Satan uses to blind the mind, and denied God and the truth of the Bible as the word of God.

This is one example of why we need to reach *this* generation. The "slippery slope" away from God, the truth and salvation of Christ and the morality the Bible proclaims is more slippery than ever. We are almost at the bottom of the slope morally and spiritually, from leadership to followers in the world, and in many cases, inside the organized church. Tolerance for and acceptance of the validity of every belief and practice—except Christianity—is becoming the norm. The need for reaching this generation through evangelism and missions outreach is essential. At Siloam Missionary Homes, we seek to care for those who are going to many areas of our country and world to reach this generation. We want to do all we can to encourage and help them to continue presenting the only hope there is for this generation—the life changing and eternal life giving of Jesus Christ, the one and only Savior of all who receive Him.

— H. Milton Wilder,
SMH Missionary Pastoral Care



Homeschoolers from Greensboro, NC planted marigolds at the entrance. After their project was complete, they were able to go over to Camp Glory Farm and pet and feed the sheep.



Rachel & Rob and Milton & Betty sharing about SMH and ministry opportunities with people who attended the Multicultural Festival in Lexington, NC.



Henry & Ross baling hay. Larry on top of hay bales – 480 bales were collected!



Our newest baby goat, "Boots".



The interns have planted and are maintaining our garden that will provide fresh vegetables for our missionary families

from BETTY'S KITCHEN



I had my Bible Study group of ladies for lunch at Siloam in May and I served them Oriental Cabbage Salad. Several of them wanted the recipe so I thought I would share it with all of our readers. Hope you enjoy!

— Betty Wilder, Missionary Pastoral Care

Oriental Cabbage

- 3½ cup Vinegar
- 2 T. Soy Sauce
- ½ cup Sugar
- ¾ cup Vegetable Oil
- 1 large Napa Cabbage
- 1 Carrot shredded
- 3 Green Onions sliced
- 2 T. Sesame Seed
- ½ cup Slivered Almonds
- 2 pkgs. Ramen Noodles



Dressing: combine vinegar, sugar, soy sauce and oil. Boil for 1 minute. Cool. Slice cabbage and onions. At last minute, add sesame seed, almonds and Ramen Noodles (discard flavor pkg.). Toss with dressing. Serve immediately.

(Napa Cabbage is also known as Chinese Cabbage.)

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Dear Coffee Club Members,



When we first started Siloam Missionary Homes 24 years ago, one of the things we had to do was to come up with a name for the ministry. Larry had gone to the lawyer's office to begin the paperwork and was told, *"The next time you come in, you need to tell me what the name of the ministry will be so we can file the papers."* Our pastor, David Jackson, had suggested the name "Siloam" to Larry, but we didn't really like the name because we thought it would be hard for people to pronounce and spell. However, the night before Larry's appointment with the lawyer, as he was driving to the Sunday evening service, he prayed and asked the Lord to please show him a name for the ministry. As the pastor got up to preach the sermon, he said, *"Tonight we are going to be talking about the Pool of Siloam."* Larry knew that was his answer.

Over the years, we have been reminded over and over that this place, Siloam, is truly a place of healing for many of the families who come to stay on the campus. We have seen God restore passion for ministry to some who didn't think they had the strength to return to the field. We have seen families that just needed a place for rest and renewal that have been able to go out once again to their God calling. The list goes on and on. We have a family living here now who are experiencing physical healing when the doctors gave no hope upon their arrival. This is part of their story:

Stephen and Lori returned from the mission field early this year due to complications from diabetes. Lori was immediately hospitalized and one foot was amputated. She was in constant pain from the amputation and because of the diabetes the wound was not healing. She was having dialysis six days a week. The fingers on both hands and the toes on the other foot were turning black. The doctors said that she probably would not live past May. But, people around the world were praying, Siloam's staff and missionaries were praying, and God was working.

This morning, Stephen stopped by my office and shared that he needs to build a wheelchair ramp onto the house he is staying in here at Siloam because Lori has improved so much that the doctors said she may come home in a couple of weeks. The wound from the amputation has completely healed and they are going to fit her for a prosthetic foot, and one of her hands has begun to heal. Her diabetes is gone and she is doing dialysis only four days a week! What a blessing it has been to hear of what God is doing...and what a blessing to have been able to provide a home for Stephen and his three children during this difficult time.

Would you prayerfully consider becoming a financial partner with us? Without our supporters' help, it would not be possible for us to provide missionary families with "a place to call home." God has used this healing place to touch hundreds of lives – not only the lives of the missionaries to come to stay, but also the lives of those that they in turn touch on the mission field. Thank you and God bless you!

Your "Coffeemate,"

Joyce George, Office Manager and Co-founder | joyce@siloamhomes.org

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